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PETITION TO WITHDRAW FROM ISSUE (37 C.F.R. § 1.313)

Dear Sir:

The issue fee for this application, due by September 30, 2004, was paid August 16, 2004.

Withdrawal from issue is requested so that the accompanying Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(b)(2) may be considered.

A Fee Transmittal form authorizing payment of the fee required under § 1.17(h) is also enclosed. Please charge any additional fees which may be required for the papers being filed with this letter to our authorized Visa Credit Card. In the event that charges cannot be made to the authorized credit card, please charge any fee to Deposit Account No. 502651.

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